Sl. No.	Railway	No. of Stations identified	Expenditure (Fig. in thousands of Rupees)		
			2006-07	2007-08	2008-09
1.	Central Railway	47	346300	510900	683900
2.	Eastern Railway	38	379400	600800	682500
3.	Northern Railway	49	407700	693300	1033200
4.	North Eastern Railway	29	233000	265500	199800
5.	Northeast Frontier Railway	45	338300	478000	309100
6.	Southern Railway	47	444600	761000	873900
7.	South Central Railway	56	398800	1167800	1707800
8.	South Eastern Railway	37	99300	136000	212300
9.	Western Railway	56	287700	434400	754900
10.	East Central Railway	50	223500	275300	227900
11.	East Coast Railway	29	114300	194200	287200
12.	North Central Railway	29	80400	183400	264200
13.	North Western Railway	38	213300	231800	218400
14.	Southeast Central Railway	29	169800	157200	119500
15.	South Western Railway	29	192300	406200	426000
16.	West Central Railway	29	140500	169200	209100
17.	Metro Railway		9900	19900	21200
	TOTAL:	637	4079100	6684900	8230900

Charging of superfast surcharge on non-superfast trains

3799. SHRI KALRAJ MISHRA:
SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that several superfast trains clock less than 55 km. per hour average whereas passengers are charged superfast surcharges;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government plans to stop this unfair practice; and

(d) if so, by when?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI E. AHAMMED): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Fast speed trains

3800. SHRI SHANTARAM LAXMAN NAIK: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to introduce fast speed trains in the country;

(b) whether any surveys have been made in this regard; and

(c) if so, the results thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI E. AHAMMED): (a) to (c) Ministry of Railways has decided to conduct pre-feasibility studies on six selected high speed passenger corridors. Out of these, study for Pune – Mumbai – Ahmedabad is in progress. Outcome of the study will be available after its completion.

Speed of goods trains

†3801. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:
SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the speed of goods trains is estimated between 19 kilometres to 30 kilometres in the country;

(b) if not, the facts in this regard;

(c) whether by enhancing the speed limit of these trains, the quantity of goods transported can be increased; and

(d) if so, the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI E. AHAMMED): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Quantity of goods transported by rail primarily depends upon demand. However, increase in speeds will effect an improvement in turn round of wagons which will, to some extent, enable carriage of more quantity with the same fleet of rolling stock.

(d) Speed of fright trains depends upon the line capacity, trailing load carried, the wagon design and track parameters. Improvement in wagon design, track parameters etc. is a continuous process.

Problems faced by passengers due to milkmen

†3802. SHRI PYARELAL KHANDELWAL: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that milkmen around Delhi enter into general bogies;

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.